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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, and in response to the non-final Office Action dated July 3, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments, reconsideration on the merits, and allowance of the claims. This amendment is accompanied by a petition requesting that the period for reply be extended from October 3, 2006 to January 3, 2007 and by the required fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.